

cells for providing redundant cells in excess of that necessary to store said given amount of user data and said overhead data, said controlling means additionally including means for substituting redundant cells of a sector for any defective cells within the sector. --

--<sup>22</sup> 21. The memory system according to claim <sup>21</sup> <sup>26</sup> wherein said substituting means including means referencing the overhead data of an addressed sector for substituting redundant cells within the addressed sector. --

#### REMARKS

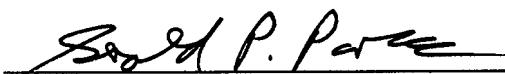
This Second Preliminary Amendment is being filed prior to an Examiner's Action in the present continuation application. Claims 70-75, added by the first Preliminary Amendment filed on December 22, 1994, are being amended in order to keep them within the elected group of claims which parent application serial no. 07/963,838 (now patent no. 5,297,148) pursued. Other claims being added by this Amendment are also limited in the same manner. The parent application was in turn a division of earlier application serial no. 07/337,566, now abandoned. The parent pursued a Group IV of claims identified in a Requirement for Restriction dated July 15, 1991, in the earlier application. A related Group II of claims is being pursued in a copending application serial no. 08/249,049, also pending in Group Art Unit 2313.

A Supplemental Disclosure Statement, and copies of the references listed therein, were separately mailed to the Patent and Trademark Office, under a Certificate of Mailing, on January 5, 1995. A Second Supplemental Disclosure Statement, with copies of references cited, was similarly mailed on January 12, 1995.

An early examination and allowance of the present application, as twice preliminarily amended, is solicited.

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